HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 240 By Cross

A RESOLUTION to honor Mr. Robert Lee Sharp for his many outstanding contributions to Newcomb and Campbell County.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who have given unreservedly of themselves, their time and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Lee Sharp is one such remarkable person who has earned the respect of the citizens of Newcomb, Campbell County, this General Assembly, and the State of Tennessee for his numerous contributions to business and the community; and

WHEREAS, a native Tennessean, Mr. Sharp is the son of Isham and Nola Meadows Sharp; and

WHEREAS, answering the call to military duty, Mr. Sharp served in the Merchant Marines; and

WHEREAS, ever successful in his entrepreneurial endeavors, Mr. Sharp has farmed and worked as a real estate developer; and

WHEREAS, an active and vital part of the community, Mr. Sharp served two terms as Campbell County Commissioner, and has distinguished himself by means of his meritorious service as a member of the Soil Conservation Committee, Chairman of the Gordon Keys Scholarship Fund and Trustee at the Douglas Cemetery; and



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WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp continues to unselfishly devote himself to the public good through his astute service on numerous boards, including the Board of Directors of the Campbell County Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp has proven himself to be a diligent upholder of the great volunteer tradition of the State of Tennessee by dedicating many years of his life to the development and enhancement of the community he loves; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp is a devout Christian, evincing his strong belief in the Lord through his 15 years of membership in the Newcomb Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, his many successes aside, Mr. Sharp is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife of 48 years, Ruth Meredith Sharp; their children, Jane Morrow, Jerry Sharp and Cathy Walden; grandchildren, Christy and Kevin Morrow, Robert Bradly Sharp and Josh Sharp, and Chris and Jake Walden; and great-granddaughter, Kayla McFarland; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp is truly an outstanding individual and model Tennessean whose exemplary life serves as a shining example of the virtues of hard work and dedication; because he is a perfect example of a person totally committed to the highest ideals of public service, we find it appropriate to honor Mr. Sharp for his lifetime achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor Mr. Robert Lee Sharp by naming him a "Citizen of the Year" in Tennessee for his meritorious service to Newcomb and Campbell County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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